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TRANSMITTAL LETTER

Serial No. 09/892,834	Filing Date June 27, 2001	Examiner Carlos N. Lopez	Case No. 11867/13 Group Art Unit 1731
Inventor(s) Lloyd Harmon Hancock et al.			
Title of Invention Reduced Ignition Propensity Smoking Article and Wrapper and Method of and Apparatus for Producing the Article and Wrapper			

TO THE COMMISSIONER FOR PATENTS

Transmitted herewith is Petition and Fee for Extension of Time (in dup.); Amendment; check for \$410 for petition fee; and return post card.

Small entity status of this application under 37 CFR § 1.27 has been established by verified statement previously submitted.

Applicant claims small entity status. See 37 CFR 1.27.

Petition for a two month extension of time.

No additional fee is required.

The fee has been calculated as shown below:

	Claims Remaining After Amendment		Highest No. Previously Paid For	Present Extra
Total	25	Minus	34	0
Indep.	2	Minus	4	0
First Presentation of Multiple Dep. Claim				

Small Entity

Rate	Add'l Fee
x \$9=	
x 42=	
+\$140=	
Total add'l fee	\$

or

Other Than Small Entity

Rate	Add'l Fee
x \$18=	0
x \$84=	0
+\$280=	
Total add'l fee	\$0

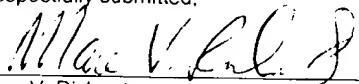
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The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge payment of any additional filing fees required under 37 CFR § 1.16 and any patent application processing fees under 37 CFR § 1.17 associated with this communication or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 23-1925. A duplicate copy of this sheet is enclosed.

I hereby petition under 37 CFR § 1.136(a) for any extension of time required to ensure that this paper is timely filed. Please charge any associated fees which have not otherwise been paid to Deposit Account No. 23-1925. A duplicate copy of this sheet is enclosed.

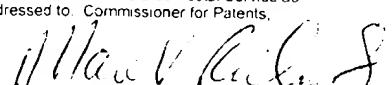
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**Case No. 11867/13**

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

In re Application of:

Lloyd Harmon Hancock et al.

Serial No: 09/892,834

Examiner: Carlos N. Lopez

Filed: June 27, 2001

Group Art Unit: 1731

For: Reduced Ignition Propensity  
Smoking Article and Wrapper and  
Method of and Apparatus for  
Producing the Article and Wrapper

**PETITION AND FEE FOR EXTENSION OF TIME (37 CFR § 1.136(a))**

Commissioner for Patents  
Washington, D.C. 20231

Dear Sir:

This is a petition for an extension of the time to respond to an Office Action dated November 19, 2002 for a period of two month(s).

Applicant:

claims small entity status. See 37 C.F.R. §1.27.

is other than small entity

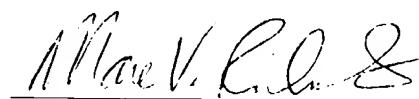
<u>Extension Months</u>	<u>Other Than Small Entity</u>	<u>Small Entity</u>
<input type="checkbox"/>	One Month	\$110.00
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**Fee Payment**

- Attached is a check for \$410 for the Petition fee.
- Attached is a credit card authorization form for \$\_\_\_\_\_ for the Petition fee.
- Charge Petition fee to Deposit Account No. 23-1925. A duplicate copy of this Petition is attached.
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